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Inventor: Van Hung Truong Our Ref: 2201.0020000/RWE

Sir:

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- 2. Credit Card Payment Form (PTO-2038) in the amount of \$510.00 to cover the fee for an extension for response within third month;
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- 5. Return postcard.

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